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THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" There are nineteen companies who have been granted licences under section 3 of the Indian Electricity Act, 1910 and one company who has been granted permission under Section 28 of the above Act to engage in the business of supplying energy."

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—" தனிப்பட்ட கம்பெனிகளை சர்க்கார் எப்பொழுது எடுத்துக்கொள்ளும் ? அவற்றை எடுத்துக்கொள்வதில் என் தாமதம் ? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" This subject came up before the House a number of times."

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I have already stated that we are drawing up a plan in this matter."

Determination of fair rent under the Malabar Tenancy Act.

* 264 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many applications, taluk-war have been received under the Malabar Tenancy Act, for determination of fair rent; and

(*b*) how many of them have been disposed of?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The answer [a] is placed on the table of the House."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, it was about six months after these petitions were presented that the court began to function and reject them. May I know why there was such inordinate delay in the starting and functioning of these rent courts? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, we have now opened more courts and the work will be speeded up."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, the purpose of constituting these rent courts was to minimise the expenditure and vexations to the tenants. Are Government aware of the fact that no uniform policy is followed with regard to the conducting of these courts in the taluks vis-a-vis in the matter of charging batta, process fee, etc.? When the petitions are resubmitted after rectification, stamp fee is levied again. Have the Government received any representations regarding this matter and will Government be kind enough to see that these vexatious things are removed? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, any disadvantages felt will be looked into and made good by the courts that have been established recently."

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SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Inasmuch as proper procedure is not followed and the officers appointed have very little experience in these matters, will the Government see that general rules of procedure are issued for their guidance? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes, Sir, if necessary, I shall see to that."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar is not in his place . . ."

SRI M. PALANIYANDI :—" I am authorised and I shall put the question on his behalf, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member did not inform me. He may put the question now."

Family Planning clinics.

* 265 *Q.*—SRI M. PALANIYANDI (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have started any centre for giving advice on Family Planning; and

(*b*) if so, how many and where?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :— " (*a*) & (*b*) Sanction has been accorded for the opening of a full-time family planning clinic in each of the following eight institutions :—

(1) Government Hospital for Women and Children, Egmore, Madras.

(2) Kasturba Gandhi Hospital, Triplicane.

(3) R.S.R.M. Lying-in Hospital, Rayapuram.

(4) Government Headquarters Hospital, Madurai.

(5) Government Headquarters Hospital, Kozhikode.

(6) Government Headquarters Hospital, Coimbatore.

(7) Government Headquarters Hospital, Mangalore, and

(8) Poonamallee Health Unit."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Question No. 266 will also be answered along with this question."

Opening of birth-control hospitals under the scheme for Family Planning.

* 266 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the number of birth-control hospitals opened in the State under Family Planning?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Nil, Sir."